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1. [] Delivered to the offices of Representatives James Abourezk (D., S. Dak.), Gerald Ford (R., Mich.), John Moss (D., Calif.), William Moorehead (D., Pa.), Don Edwards (D., Calif.), Robert Steele (R., Conn.), Paul McCloskey (R., Calif.) and Senator J. W. Fulbright (D., Ark.) [] items in which their names were mentioned.

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2. [] Delivered to the offices of Senators Mike Gravel (D., Alaska), Bob Packwood (R., Oreg.), and Birch Bayh (D., Ind.) [] items in which their names were mentioned.

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3. [] Accompanied the Director, Colonel White and Messrs. Karamessines, Duckett and John Clarke who appeared before Chairman Mahon and Representatives Andrews, Bow and Minshall, of the House Appropriations Committee, for a briefing on the Agency budget. See Memo for Record for details.

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4. [] Accompanied [] 25X1A [] who briefed Senator James O. Eastland (D., Miss.) on recent developments in Morocco. It turned out that Senator Eastland was also interested in Libya and we promised to provide him with the answers to some of his questions on that subject.

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5. [] Mr. J. Sourwine, Chief Counsel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, called concerning an article by Alice Widener entitled "SECRET NSC-68 MUST BE DECLASSIFIED!" appearing in the U.S.A. Magazine. In her article, Miss Widener referred to the leak to a newsman in 1964 of "NSC-68", described as a highly classified document on U.S. policy in Korea and written in 1950. In view of the recent leak of the Pentagon papers, Miss Widener stressed that "NSC-68" should be declassified to give the true story on Korea. Mr. Sourwine stated that "a Senator" had read the article and questioned him as to whether such a document would still be classified. He asked if we could check this out for him. Internal checks were negative concerning "NSC-68" and Mr. Sourwine was advised our inquiries failed to reveal any information as to such a document. He furnished a copy of the article and did not press his inquiry.

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6. [] In response to a call from the office of Representative Thomas Downing (D., Va.), [] Personnel, was called and asked to send employment brochures to [] [] Virginia. [] advised she will handle the request.

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7. [] Mr. Larry McHugh, on the staff of the Joint Economic Committee, called with further reference to the Committee's hearings which will include testimony on the status of the Soviet economy. He said that Dick Davies, of State Department, has agreed to testify before the Committee at 2 p.m. on 9 August. McHugh has been unsuccessful in getting through to the right people in the State Department, but wanted to be certain that we were in touch with the Department to give them whatever information we had to contribute on the subject. I told McHugh I would assure this was being done and passed this message to [] 25X1A

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8. [] Met with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, and left with him a New China News Agency broadcast allegedly quoting statements made by Senator Ellender as to the size of the U.S. budget. Woodruff said the Chairman would be interested in this and thanked me for bringing it to him.

I took this opportunity to brief Woodruff on the fact of the Director's budget sessions with the House Appropriations Committee, the problem which the flood of bills such as the Church, Cooper, and McGovern bills would create for the Agency, and the situation regarding contacts made by the Ribicoff/Muskie Subcommittees and Representative Rogers on the drug situation.

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9. [] After conferring with the Director, I contacted Robert Maher, on the staff of Representative Paul Rogers (D., Fla.), to tell him I had talked with the Director and while we could not release the [] to the Congressman, the Director was happy to have [] meet with Mr. Rogers to brief him on the Agency's role in assisting in coping with the overall drug problem. This meeting was scheduled for 10 a.m. on Friday.

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25X1 11. [redacted] The Director advised of a call he received from Walt Rostow asking about briefings of the CIA Subcommittees prior to 3 August 1964 (when Secretary of Defense McNamara briefed the Senate Foreign Relations Committee) on Project [redacted] 25X1 The Director instructed that we review our files and have Mr. Maury advise Rostow of our findings. We are working on this.

25X1 12. [redacted] Mr. Morris Amitay, Special Assistant to Senator Abraham Ribicoff (D., Conn.), called and requested a copy of the report which Senator Mansfield referred to in a Flora Lewis column which was allegedly prepared by CIA on foreign drug traffic. I explained the facts concerning this report which was published by the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs to Amitay and referred him to the reports placed in the Congressional Record by Representative Gubser (page E 5305 of 2 June 1971) and by Senator Javits (page S 8686 of 9 June 1971). Mr. Amitay thanked me for these references.

25X1 13. [redacted] In the absence of the Director, I covered a call from Representative George Mahon to him. Mr. Mahon said he would like someone in CIA to prepare, on four or five typewritten pages, the most understandable history of the Southeast Asia situation that we could come up with. He said he wanted nothing classified, and wants no reference made to CIA activities, but he outlined the chronological steps which he wished covered in this paper including: French presence in Indochina, the difficulty encountered, Dien Bien Phu, the French withdrawal, the date of the first U.S. involvement in Southeast Asia, the provision of military supplies and equipment and the extent of this assistance, the extent of our help to the French, and the date which MAAG was established. I told the Chairman I thought George Carver was the best person to do this for him and reminded him of the articles which Carver had written for Foreign Affairs magazine on the subject. Mr. Mahon recalled this and said he would like to have copies of these articles again in addition to the original piece which he requested. He said he wanted to show this has been a long, drawn out, and expensive program which began not in 1964 but in the late 1940s. He said he would like this in the next week to ten days and I assured him we would have it within that time period. Mr. Carver is working on this.

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14. [] alerted us to an inquiry which Representative Thomas Downing (R., Va.) has made to the Navy concerning real estate at [] We will do nothing on this, however, until the correspondence is officially referred to [] or Representative Downing contacts us.

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15. [] Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, called and asked if I could have someone meet with him tomorrow morning to assist him in pulling together the facts and figures on programs in Laos. He said he is preparing this material for Senator Stennis' background use in anticipation of a discussion on this subject when the Symington amendment to the military authorization bill is discussed in the Armed Services Committee. [] and I will meet with Braswell at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

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16. [] Mr. James Gardner, in the office of William McAfee, INR, State Department, called about the preparation of views on Senator Cooper's bill (S. 2224). He indicated that Senator Fulbright has requested the Department's views on an urgent basis and asked for a coordinated response. I told Gardner it was my feeling this bill and others like it should probably be discussed at an LIG meeting. Since overall Executive Branch coordination would ultimately be required through OMB, it would appear desirable to have some preliminary discussion before individual department and agency views are prepared. Gardner said this suggestion made sense to him and he will discuss it with Harry Symmes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations.

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17. [] Alerted Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, to the request Representative Paul Rogers (D., Fla.) has made for [] I also advised him we would be meeting with Rogers tomorrow, but did not propose to pass the report to him. Slatinshek supported our position of refusing to provide our report and said if Rogers pressed us we should tell him to take the matter up with Chairman Hebert. Slatinshek then asked that we show the report to him and to Chairman Hebert so they would be in a position of knowing what they were defending.

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